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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed July 12, 2004. Since this communication is being filed before the end of the three-month shortened statutory period for reply, an extension of time is not required.

An Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted concurrently with this communication under separate cover.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.